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Dear Reader:

On 8 March 2012, the Wells Field Office released a Standards and Guidelines for Rangeland Health Assessment for the Snow Water Lake and Warm Creek Allotments. This document presented all available monitoring data for the allotments and reached draft determinations on the level of attainment of allotment specific multiple use objectives and the Standards and Guidelines for Rangeland Health. BLM received several public comment letters on the assessment document and the scoping for potential management actions.

On 1 June 2012, Saving America's Mustangs submitted to the BLM a copy of a lease showing they had gained control of the base properties associated with the grazing privileges on the Snow Water Lake and Warm Creek Allotments, together with applications to apply for the grazing permit. 43 C.F.R. §4130.2(b) states, "The authorized officer shall consult, cooperate and coordinate with affected permittees or lessees, the State having lands or responsible for managing resources within the area, and the interested public prior to the issuance or renewal of grazing permits or leases." BLM is proposing to issue a grazing permit to Saving America's Mustangs at the conclusion of this permit renewal process. The effective date of permit would be whenever this permit renewal process ends and would run through 16 May 2017, which coincides with the end date on the base property lease. The permit may be renewed upon renewal of the base property lease for a maximum period of ten years from the effective date.

The Environmental Assessment and draft Finding of No Significant Impact for the Snow Water Lake and Warm Creek Allotments Grazing Permit Renewal are available on the web for review at the following page:

[http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko\\_field\\_office/blm\\_information/nepa/nepa\\_archives/NEPA\\_Front.html](http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko_field_office/blm_information/nepa/nepa_archives/NEPA_Front.html)

These documents are available for public review through Friday, 5 October 2012. If you would like a printed copy or a CD, you may request one by contacting the BLM at the address listed above or by telephoning Jeff Moore. Following this review period, BLM will issue a grazing permit renewal decision.

If you have any questions please call Jeff Moore, Rangeland Management Specialist, at (775) 753-0359.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures